

**DECLARATION AND
POWER OF ATTORNEY**
(Utility Patent Application)

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name,

I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below), of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

**SCHEDULING THE DISPATCH OF CELLS IN MULTISTAGE SWITCHES USING A
HIERARCHICAL ARBITRATION SCHEME FOR MATCHING NON-EMPTY VIRTUAL
OUTPUT QUEUES OF A MODULE WITH OUTGOING LINKS OF THE MODULE**

the specification of which:

- ☒ is attached hereto
- ☐ was filed on as Application Serial
 No. with amendment(s) filed _____
- ☐ was filed as PCT international application:
 serial number _____ on _____
 and was amended under PCT Article 19 on _____

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the patentability of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations section 1.56.

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Section 119 of Title 35, United States Code for the above-identified US patent application based on the patent or inventor's certificate identified below and having a filing date before that of the US patent application for which priority is claimed:

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Application No. Country Filing Date Priority Claimed
under 35 U.S.C. §119

I hereby claim the benefit under Section 120 and/or Section 119(e) of Title 35 of the United States Code of any United States application(s) listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States application in the manner provided by Section 112 of Title 35 of the United States Code, I acknowledge the duty to disclose material information, as defined in Section 1.56 of Title 37 of the Code of Federal Regulations, which occurred between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application:

<u>Application Serial No.</u>	<u>Filing Date</u>	<u>Status</u>		
		<u>Patented</u>	<u>Pending</u>	<u>Abandoned</u>
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